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Application Number	10/058,622
Filing Date	1/28/2002
First Named Inventor	Boucher
Art Unit	1631
Examiner Name	Channing Mahatan
Attorney Docket Number	DVME-1014USCON1

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

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1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114

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i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

ii. ☐ Other _____

- b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

ii. ☒ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iv. ☒ Other Petition For One Month Extension of Time

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for

a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees

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- a. ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. _____

i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)

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ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)

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iii. ☐ Other _____

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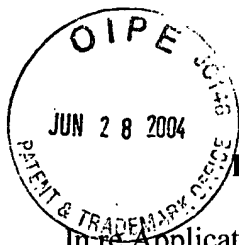
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In re Application of

: Attorney Docket No. DVME-1014USCON1

5 BOUCHER, CHARLES

Serial No. 10/058,622

: Group Art Unit: 1631

Filed: January 28, 2002

: Examiner: CHANNING MAHATAN

10 For: METHOD FOR EFFECTING COMPUTER IMPLEMENTED DECISION-SUPPORT IN
THE SELECTION OF THE DRUG THERAPY OF PATIENTS HAVING A VIRAL DISEASE

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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20 Sir:

In further response to the Final Office Action dated February 24, 2004, having a three-month shortened statutory period of response set to expire May 24, 2004, Applicant hereby
25 requests reconsideration of the rejections for the reasons given below. This response is being filed
within four months of the issuance of the Final Rejection with a request for a one-month extension
of time and a Request for Continued Examination. The Director is authorized to charge any
deficiency in the fees paid to Deposit Account No. 50-0462. The following remarks and
declarations are respectfully submitted.

30 **A listing of claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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